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TAGS: ENRG, SENV, DR

SUBJECT: PUERTO RICAN PETROLEUM SUPERPORT

REF: A) SD-3517

B) SD-A-060

C) STATE 072450

D) SD-1348 AND PREVIOUS

1. DOMINICAN OFFICIAL AND UNOFFICIAL OBJECTIONS TO A PETROLEUM SUPERPORT IN PUERTO RICO CONTINUE, WITH THE PRESS GIVING THE ISSUE HEAVY PLAY. ON SEPTEMBER 10 FOREIGN MINISTER VICTOR GOMEZ BERGES AGAIN VOICED OPPOSITION PUBLICLY, NOTING THAT DOMINICANS MUST REMAIN "ON ALERT" VIS-A-VIS THE PROJECT, SINCE IT WOULD ALLEGEDLY HARM MARINE LIFE AND THE ISLAND IN GENERAL. PUERTO RICANS OPPOSED TO A SUPERPORT ARE REPORTED ATTEMPTING TO ENLIST DOMINICAN SUPPORT TO FUEL THE POLITICAL FIRES THERE. GIVEN THE EMOTIONS ON BOTH SIDES, THIS QUESTION COULD BECOME A SERIOUS INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM BETWEEN US AND THE GODR.

2. EMBASSY WOULD, THEREFORE, APPRECIATE THE DEPT FORMALLY

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QUERYING THE PUERTO RICAN GOVERNMENT AND OBTAINING AS MUCH

ADDITIONAL DATA ON THE STATUS OF THE PROJECT AS POSSIBLE,
INCLUDING A REALISTIC ASSESSMENT OF THE CHANCES THAT THE PORT
WILL, AFTER ALL, BE BUILT AND IF SO, WHEN.
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